The Association of Alumni

1966-67

ANNUAL REPORT

SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY

The Presidents Message

Sir George Williams University has come of age. The University has developed an international reputation not only amongst other universities but throughout industry. We, the Alumni, have not kept pace. While our University has matured, our Alumni Association is still adolescent.

We, the Alumni, and our organization were not equipped to handle the sheer volume and magnitude that was our part in the University relationship. True, some preliminary steps had been earlier taken to strengthen our function. More specifically and perhaps the most significant step was the decision last year to switch from an annual assessment to an annual giving program. Other changes more minor in nature were made from time to time in the hope of coping with this enlarged situation.

The time has come to change from a cozy,comfortable organization into one that is characterized by strong, dynamic growth based on strong principles.

The prime purpose of an alumni organization is to provide a vehicle for the sensible channeling of contributions to the University, by graduates of the University. Put another way, it is the method by which graduates can contribute to their University in return for the many benefits the University has given to them. Contributions mean not just those in the monetary sense, but also mean contributions in terms of time, effort, talent; in fact, all forms of support needed by the University and which the Alumni are in a position to give.

The most vital functions in any growth program are planning and organization. Without planning, objectives are not defined and without organization, objectives are not reached. Thus, the most significant effort made in this past year by our Association was a Planning and Evaluation Conference held in the fall of 1966. From this conference, which was attended by 50 key alumni and alumni chairmen, a revitalization program was developed. From the strong interest shown and ideas and enthusiasm generated, a base was laid broad enough to sustain the logical growth of our Alumni Association.

Attached to this report is an organizational chart of the Association which was developed at this conference. The organization, as laid out, is based upon the principles of involvement and accountability of responsibility. This organization is now being put into effect.

The initial phases of the redevelopment are well under way. A computer service requirement has been prepared and submitted; methods of recruiting and selecting talented, energetic people from our Alumni "inventory" have been established , and the placement of select, capable people on standing committees has commenced. Position guides have been prepared for committee chairmen, and strengthened lines of communication have been established and expanded with the University. In addition, further strengthening of our Alumni offices has been made through the appointment of an Associate Executive Director.

Throughout this painful period, we have received outstanding support and encouragement from the University. At the same time that this basis was being established, ongoing programs and activities of the Association were being revised and implemented. One prime example currently under development is a plan for the considerable expansion of the Student Loan Fund in conjunction with a Chartered Bank.

We have received very fine support and cooperation from John Ferguson, our Executive Director throughout this redevelopment. We welcome the addition of Don Hathaway, our new Associate Director.

This has not been a report so much as it has been a plan or blueprint for the future. We now have 9700 members of our Alumni Association. It is time we, as graduates of Sir George Williams University, started to make a significant contribution in the broad sense to the future growth of the University. It is time that we as an organization, commenced to grow up. You are likely to be called upon in the near future to make a contribution to the University of your money, talent, skills or connections. We expect, and the University expects, a positive response.

From the Principal

The officers and members of the Association of Alumni merit congratulations and appreciation for the many excellent achievements accomplished in the 1966-67 academic year. Sir George has benefitted from the efforts of the Association and we observed with interest the good progress in organization which was made during the past year.

Of particular note was the excellent conference held in the Laurentians and, of course, the fine 30th Anniversary Reunion. The Reunion was marked by the dedication of the Alumni Auditorium as a fitting tribute to the support of alumni in the financial campaign for the Henry F. Hall Building. The initiation of alumni annual giving to the University will also play an important part in the development of Sir George in many areas.

The accomplishments of the year reflect the activity of a great number of Georgians and this wider involvement will be valuable and meaningful to the institution and to the Association. On behalf of the University, I offer sincere congratulations and appreciation to the President, to the officers and to the members of the Association of Alumni for a job well done in 1966-67. We also extend our best wishes to the Association for a further year of progress and achievement in 1967-68. Sir George is dependent on you for the fulfillment of its great potential role in higher education.

The Year in Review

ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN

Under the able chairmanship of Doug Hargrave, the charter year of the Annual Giving Campaign raised $16,200.00 against the previous years membership fees of $11,000.00. This, of course, was not the full objective but it was a sizeable increase. This year, with the graduates who pledged a three year committment to the Building Fund paid up, and the knowledge that The Association is serious about its new method of fund raising, the amount raised should be considerably increased.

The number of letters received leaves no doubt that the Association is using the right approach, and that there is a widespread interest among those who have passed through the University in being identified with the continuing image of the new Sir George.

ART SALE

The Alumni Art Council under Mrs. H.G. Worrell held a vernissage for the First Annual Art Sale on Saturday, October 15. The sale of works by Montreal artists was followed by a ten day exhibition in the University galleries.

POSTGRAD

The Postgrad, the official Alumni Publication, has continued to improve in layout, design and content under the able leadership of Fred Kirkwood who took over from Dan Presley as Publication Chairman.

Issues have been somewhat late in coming out but this is expected to improve shortly. The new reporting director for publications, Larry Nachshen, is putting together a committee and a clear-cut set of guide lines for the management of the Postgrad which will soon place that publication on a more business like basis.

PLANNING CONFERENCE

The event which will undoubtedly have the most importance for the future was the Evaluation and Planning Conference held in Ste. Adele during December 3rd and 4th, with Dan Presley responsible for the overall generalship.

The report from this conference contained recommendations for the structure upon which to base the plans for developing the Association into a vital, well managed organization. Specifically, fourteen committees complete with position guides for their chairmen, were proposed, and these in turn were welded into the organization chart shown in this report.

30th ANNIVERSARY REUNION

The 30th Anniversary Reunion was conceived to acknowledge the University's achievements during the past 30 years, with the dedication of the Association of Alumni Auditorium.

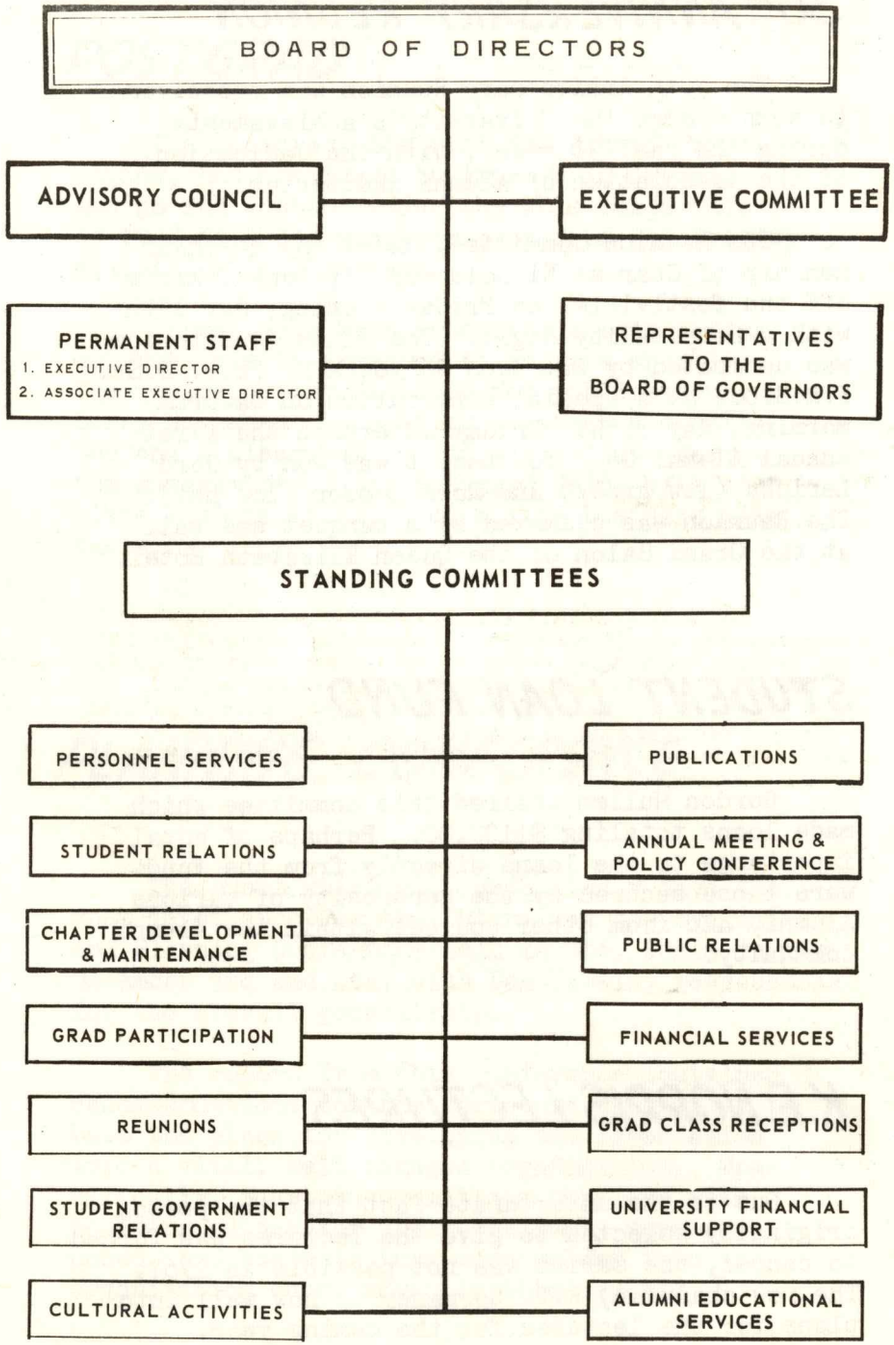
The Reunion Committee, under the co-chairmenship of Charles Nichols and Rip Jonas, kicked-off the festivities on Friday evening, May 19th with a Hospitality Night. The Alumni Auditorium was dedicated by Dr. Hans Selye, M.D. Ph.D. D.Sc. F.R.S.C., at a special convocation on Saturday morning, May 20th. Friday afternoon the first annual Alumni Golf Tournament was won by Gord Leriche (low gross) and Ross Leeder (low net). The Reunion was climaxed by a banquet and ball at the Grand Salon of the Queen Elizabeth Hotel.

STUDENT LOAN FUND

Gordon Mullen chaired this committee which made loans totaling $1100.00. Perhaps of equal importance to the loans directly from the Fund were those secured by the generosity of various Alumni, and from other sources within the Alumni community.

K.E.NORRIS LECTURES

Due to the unfortunate fact that the person originally selected to give the lectures was forced to cancel, the series was not possible in 1967. The new chairman, R.T. Germaney is now well into plans for the lectures for the coming year.



ASSOCIATION ORGANIZATION CHART

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August 30th, 1967.

To the Members,
The Association of Alumni,
Sir George Williams University,
Montreal, Quebec.

We have examined the Statements of Receipts and Disbursements of the General, Student Loan, Postgrad and 1967 Reunion Committee Funds of the Association of Alumni, Sir George Williams University for the twelve months ended May 31st, 1967. Our examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the attached statements of Receipts and Disbursements of the General, Student Loan, Postgrad and 1967 Reunion Committee Funds of the Association for the twelve months ended May 31, 1967 have been properly drawn up so as to present fairly the summaries of transactions in these funds, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Chartered Accountants.

THE ASSOCIATION OF ALUMNI

SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED MAY 31ST, 1967

GENERAL FUND

GENERAL FUND BALANCE - June 1st, 1966.		2,719.00
CASH RECEIPTS:		
Grants received - Sir George Williams University	5,000.00	
Grant received re graduation reception	750.00	
Assessments collected	190.00	
Advance from Postgrad Fund	1,140.40	
	7,080.40	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Advances to Postgrad Magazine	4,180.03	
Advance to 1967 Reunion Committee	1,691.99	
Evaluation and Planning Committee Convention	1,140.40	
Graduation Reception	168.15	
Portrait of Dr. O. Stredder	250.00	
Presidential expenses	404.79	
Executive Director's expenses	171.75	
Office and administrative expenses	185.43	
Public relations	312.42	
Association dues	55.00	
Promotion and fund raising	470.07	
Audit and legal	111.15	
Art Sale expenses	148.93	
	9,290.11	
EXCESS DISBURSEMENTS OVER RECEIPTS:		2,249.71
GENERAL FUND BALANCE - MAY 31ST, 1967		469.29
Closing bank balance - May 31st, 1967		4,486.03
Less outstanding cheques		4,016.74
GENERAL FUND BALANCE - MAY 31ST, 1967		469.29

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION:

.....Treasurer

Subject to the Attached report dated August 30th, 1967.

Chartered Accountants.

E. H. VEINISH & CO.
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

THE ASSOCIATION OF ALUMNI

SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY

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FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED MAY 31ST, 1967

STUDENT LOAN FUND

LOAN FUND BALANCE - June 1st, 1966		142.76
CASH RECEIPTS		
Student Loan Repayments	989.26	
Interest received on loan	58.74	
	1,048.00	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS		
Student loans granted	1,100.00	
Bank charges	4.75	
	1,104.75	
EXCESS DISBURSEMENTS OVER RECEIPTS:		56.75
LOAN FUND BALANCE - MAY 31ST, 1966		86.01
LOANS OUTSTANDING TO MAY 31ST, 1967	4,735.00	

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THE POSTGRAD

POSTGRAD BALANCE - June 1st, 1966		2.45
CASH RECEIPTS:		
Advertising Revenue	12,755.02	
Advances from General Fund	4,180.03	
	16,935.05	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Printing, mailing and distribution	11,541.15	
Commission on advertising sold	3,317.58	
Miscellaneous expense	23.35	
Advance to General Fund	1,140.40	
	16,022.48	
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS:		912.57
POSTGRAD BALANCE - MAY 31ST, 1967:		915.02
Closing bank balance - May 31st, 1967		1,262.55
Less outstanding cheques		347.53
POSTGRAD BALANCE - MAY 31ST, 1967:		915.02

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION:

Melvin E. Zwarg, Treasurer.

Subject to the attached report dated August 30, 1967.

E. H. Veinish & Co.

Chartered Accountants.

THE ASSOCIATION OF ALUMNI

SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY

STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 11TH,1967 TO MAY 31ST,1967.

1967 REUNION COMMITTEE

CASH RECEIPTS:		
Attendance fees income	3,133.50	
Advance from General Fund	1,691.99	
	4,825.49	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Orchestras	2,861.44	
Travel	300.00	
Miscellaneous expense	37.65	
	3,199.09	
1967 REUNION COMMITTEE FUND BALANCE-MAY 31ST,1967:		1,626.40
Closing Bank Balance - May 31st, 1967		2,316.15
Add deposit in transit		666.50
		2,982.65
Less outstanding cheque		1,356.25
1967 REUNION COMMITTEE FUND BALANCE-MAY 31ST,1967:		1,626.40

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION:

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E. H. Veinish & Co.

Chartered Accountants.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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